

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 303
By Cooper J

A RESOLUTION to commend Jonathan Aaron Taylor for
exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan Aaron Taylor is one such individual who has distinguished himself as a loyal and efficient legislative intern for Senator Jerry Cooper; Jonathan's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a native of Columbia and a student at the University of Memphis, where he is highly regarded by his peers, Jon has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science, minoring in Naval Science and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Navy ROTC; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Taylor brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2003 session of the One Hundred Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2003 legislative session, Jon has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Taylor was of great assistance in cheerfully providing transportation services to Senator and Mrs. Lisa Cooper whenever needed, even throughout their many troublesome car repairs; and

WHEREAS, very cognizant of the needs of his immediate supervisor, Christina Barber, Jon cheerfully made frequent “chocolate/bear claw runs” to keep peace and harmony in the office; he also specialized in “Subway” and “Dunkin’ Donut” runs when the need arose (often on nerve-racking Committee days); and

WHEREAS, Jon was a hardworking, dedicated assistant and a vital part of Senator Cooper’s staff; his good nature and indomitable spirit have garnered him the respect of his fellow staff members and legislators; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Taylor performed his duties with great skill, illustrating his intelligence, creativity and initiative, particularly as he lined up meetings with lobbyists and constituents while maintaining proper crowd control; and

WHEREAS, Jon has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum that surely bode well for his future endeavors as he pursues a career in the Navy, in the legal profession and in local politics; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan Aaron Taylor is truly to be commended for his meritorious service to Senator Cooper and to this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Jonathan Aaron Taylor for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Senator Jerry Cooper and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.